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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 12, lines 4-6, with the following amended paragraph:

Figures 15A-E 15A-F present sequencing results of the *pyrE* gene. Underlining indicates amino acid sequence; it is not continuous due to some sequence uncertainties. The indicated amino acids are the most probable. Bold type indicates putative/probable introns.